(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the steps taken in the matter?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The question is under consideration.

Chengamanad Malayalam Primary School.

29 * **MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN** (*Kunnatnad* cum *Parur*): Will the Government be pleased to state what action they have taken to remove the hardships caused to pupils in the Chengamanad Malayalam Primary School in Parur taluk due to want of sufficient accommodation?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON (*Director of Public Instruction*): A revised estimate for a shed for providing additional accommodation has been called for.

Reconstructing the St. Philomena's English Middle School and the Malayalam Primary School at Koonammavoo.

30 * **MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN:** Will the Government be pleased to state whether any Government grant has been made for the purpose of reconstructing the St. Philomena's English Middle School and the Malayalam Primary School at Koonammavoo in Parur taluk?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: No.

Checking of certain amounts provided for in the Budget.

31. * **MR. M. R. NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state what means they have at present to ascertain how the amounts provided for in the annual budget are spent in respect of:

(*a*) the purchase of books and periodicals; and

(*b*) the purchase and repairs of furniture?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): (*a*) & (*b*) The expenditure on these two items is separately booked in accounts and the progress in expenditure from time to time is watched against the budget allotments.

MR. M. R. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether the Government have issued directions from time to time in the matter of checking certain amounts provided for in the budget and verified how they have been spent?

MR. M. GOVINDA PILLAI: The Government have not issued any definite instructions on that point, but there are general instructions to regulate such expenditure.

MR. M. R. NARAYANA PILLAI; Am I to understand that audit takes place from time to time in the matter of checking the amounts provided for in the budget?

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